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# News Release

## **AGGRAVATED FELON SENTENCED TO 30 MONTHS IN PRISON**

*Mexican national was previously convicted for shooting two individuals in the back*

CLEVELAND — A criminal alien from Mexico was sentenced here Tuesday to 30 months in prison for re-entering the U.S. after having been previously deported, announced U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Jesus Sosa-Ortiz, 28, a citizen of Mexico, was apprehended by Painesville Police in May 2005 following a traffic stop. At the time of his arrest he presented an authentic Arizona driver's license in the name of Andres Asencion-Ortiz. ICE special agents conducted database checks and determined that the individual actually was Jesus Sosa-Ortiz, who was a match in a 1998 deportation case.

The ICE investigation revealed that Sosa-Ortiz had previously been convicted of an aggravated felony for shooting two individuals in the back with a shotgun in an apparent gang-related incident. He was convicted in October 1997 for the shootings and served 18 months for the crime.

U.S. District Court Judge David Dowd Jr. issued today's sentence after Sosa-Ortiz pleaded guilty in September to the re-entry after deportation charge.

"This sentencing sends a strong and clear message to those who disregard this country's immigration laws, and for the crimes they commit as part of a violent lifestyle," said Brian M. Moskowitz, special agent-in-charge of the ICE Office of Investigations covering Ohio and Michigan. "After serving his sentence, ICE will again remove this convicted criminal alien from the United States."

Assistant U.S. Attorney Phillip J. Trippi, U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Ohio prosecuted the case. The Painesville Police Department assisted ICE with this investigation.

# ICE #

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